A REVISION OF THE GENUS DIOGENESIA

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ABSTRACT. The South American genus Diogenesia (Ericaceae-Vaccinioideae) is revised. 13 species are recognised, including two new ones (D. alstoniana and D. vargastana) and six new specific combinations from "Eleutherstemon"—regarded as synonymous with Diogenesia. Analytical and synoptic keys are provided. The genus is closest to Solvrospermum.

The genus Diogenesia was first proposed by the author in 1934 on the basis of a single species from Peru and two years later was reduced by him to Vaccinium sect. Leptothamnia with the addition of three other species. In 1941 he revised the genera of Ericaceae-Vaccinioideae and recognised Diogenesia as an independent genus with 6 species. Its relationship with the related genera Vaccinium, Sphyrospermum and Themistoclesia were discussed in that paper. A few years later in 1950, A. C. Smith enlarged the genus to include 8 species and united it with Eleutherostemon Herzog (1915); the latter, however, is a homonym of the earlier Eleutherostemon Klotxsch. In 1952, A. C. Smith enlarged the genus once more, accepting a total of 11 species extending from Colombia/Venezuela to Bolivia along the Cordillera.

As a result of new collections examined recently in a number of European, north and Latin American herbaria, the present author was encouraged to revise the eenus.

To facilitate determinations, both analytical and synoptic keys are presented here; these use characters which, on the basis of the available material, seem to be of constant value. Authors who propose describing new species of *Diogenesia* should take into consideration all the characters mentioned in the synoptic key. The latter also draws attention to "unusual" characters in *Diogenesia*—if the circumscription of the genus given in 1941 (Sleumer) is accepted.

In the synoptic key, the occurrence of distinct pseudo-stipules (although stipules, in the strict sense, do not occur in the Ericaceae) figures as a means of distinguishing Diogenesia from Sphyrospermum, but not from Themistoclesia. Pseudo-stipules are rather small in some species of Diogenesia and in others have not yet been described. A second character of Diogenesia, the smooth (not winged) subglobose calyx tube (hypanthium), is shared with Sphyrospermum; in contrast to Themistoclesia which has a funnel-shaped and markedly winged calyx tube. This character, however, is not diagnostic for Diogenesia as several species have a slightly ribbed or winged calyx tube. In fact there is no single vegetative or floral character which really separates Diogenesia, Sphyrospermum and Themistoclesia from each other.

These genera, as many others in the Ericaceae (and the Sympetalae in general) are based on the tendencies of one or few characters. In such "conventional" genera there are usually some species which bridge the gap to another closely related genus. In the case of *Diogenesia*, the existing

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material is scarcely sufficient to reach a conclusion about its status; a final decision will probably depend on the study of fresh fully mature fruits. All specimens cited have been studied.

Diogenesia Sleumer in Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Berlin 12:121 (1934); Airy Shaw in Kew Bull. 1935:153 (1935); Sleumer in Bot. Jahrb. 71:395 (1941); Macbride in Univ. Wyoming Publ. 11:39, 40 (1944).

Syn.: Eleutherostemon Herzog in Meded. Rijksherb. Leiden 27:22 (1915); A. C. Smith in Contrib. U.S. Nat. Herb. 29:350 (1950) and Mem. N.Y. Bot. Gard. 8:47 (1952)—non Klotzsch in Linnaea 12:219 (1818).

Type species: D. octandra Sleum.

Small shrubs, usually epiphytic, with slender, often elongate and pendent branches, occasionally climbing. Leaves spiral, 3-5-plinerved, subcoriaceous (or rarely coriaceous) entire, short-petiolate; pseudo-stipules generally present and distinct. Inflorescences axillary, in few- to many-flowered fascicles or racemes, very rarely reduced to a solitary flower; pedicels slender, bracteate at base, bibracteolate about halfway, slightly swollen distally, continuous with the calyx. Calyx-tube (hypanthium) cup-shaped, rounded at base, truncate at apex, smooth or indistinctly 5-ribbed lengthwise; calyxlimb and -lobes short, suberect. Corolla cylindrical, urceolate or campanulate, shortly 4- or 5-lobed to -partite halfway. Stamens 4, 5, 6, 8 or 10, equal in length, more or less as long as or slightly shorter than the corolla: filaments free, ligulate, hairy, usually shorter than the anthers, the latter oblongoid, smooth or faintly granular, each cell extending upwards into a slender tubule as long as or slightly longer than the cell, opening with an introrse oval pore or cleft. Disc thick-annular (entire or crenulate), rarely conical. Ovary inferior, 4-5-celled; style slender, equalling the corolla in length; stigma truncate. Fruit baccate, subglobose, truncate, fleshy(?), crowned by the persistent calyx-lobes, 4-5-celled; pericarp subcoriaceous; seeds

The genus is closest to Sphyrospermum. Differential characters are:—
Sphyrospermum: flowers constantly solitary or in twos; pedicels cernuous, filiform, elongate; filaments usually longer than anthers; fruit in the fresh state a globular, soft fleshy berry; pericarp thin, brittle in the dry state.
Diogenesia: flowers usually in few- to many-flowered fascicles or racemes, these very rarely reduced to a solitary flower; pedicels slender, not properly cernuous; filaments usually shorter than the anthers; fruit apparently a coriaceous berry; pericarp subcoriaceous, not brittle in the dry state.

ANALYTICAL KEY

Stamens 4 or 5. Disc conical-elevate
 Stamens (6-) 8 or 10. Disc annular, low, or rarely conical-elevate
 Corolla cylindric, (5-)6-7 mm long, Filaments (4-)5 mm long; anthers incl. tubules 2 mm long. [Colombia, Venezuela] 1. D. tetrandra Corolla cylindric-subcampanulate, 5-6 mm long. Filaments 3-3-5

	Leaves deeply (1-2 cm) auriculate					3. D. amplectens
+	Leaves slightly (up to 3 mm) corda	te, o	r gener	ally r	oun	ded-obtuse
	or attenuate at base					4
4.	Flowers strictly solitary per axil					5
+	Flowers in few- to many-flowered					
5.	Pedicels 10-13 mm long. Corolla mm long; anthers incl. tubules 3.5					
+	Pedicels 20-30 mm long. Coroll	a 20)-22 n	nm lo	ong.	
	13 mm long; anthers incl. tubules					
	-5 6,	, ,				5. D. gracilipes
6.	Corolla densely short-hairy outsid	le. П				
+	Corolla faintly and very shortly					
1						
7.	Racemes many-flowered; rhachis	(2.5	-)4-6	em lo	ng.	
,	1,11,01,01,11,01,01,01			100		7. D. racemoso
+	Racemes shorter (rhachis up to I	·4 C	m lone	and	1 fev	
	or few-, rarely many-flowered fasc					8
8.	Stamens 6-8. [Colombia, Ecuado					8. D. octandra
+	Stamens 10					9
	Disc conical-elevate, including th	e b	ase of	style	for	c. I mm.
9.	Disc conical-elevate, including the		ase of			c. I mm. 9. D. andina
9.	(Corolla 4 mm long). [Colombia]					9. D. andina
9.			leaving	the s	tyle-	9. D. andina
9. + 10.	(Corolla 4 mm long). [Colombia] Disc annular, low, entire or crenular Corolla 3 mm long. [Bolivia]		leaving	the s	tyle-	 D. andina base free . 10
9. + 10. +	(Corolla 4 mm long). [Colombia] Disc annular, low, entire or crenul Corolla 3 mm long. [Bolivia] Corolla longer		leaving	the s	tyle-	9. D. andina base free . 10 10. D. boliviana
9. + 10. + 11.	(Corolla 4 mm long). [Colombia] Disc annular, low, entire or crenul: Corolla 3 mm long. [Bolivia] Corolla longer Corolla 7.5 mm long. [Peru] .		leaving	the s	tyle-	9. D. andina base free . 10 10. D. boliviana
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Pseudo-stipules absent or obscure .				4,	6, 11, 12
", ", o·5–2 mm long .			I	, 2, 5,	8, 10, 13
" " 3 mm long or longer					3, 7, 9
Leaves attenuate to rounded at base	1, 2, 4,	5, 6,	7, 8, 9	, IO,	11, 12, 13
,, deeply auriculate at base .					. 3
Flowers solitary or in twos					. 4,5
,, few to numerous					
fascicled	del.			2, 9,	10, 12, 13
racemose					
rhachis 0.3-2.5 cm long					8, 11, 13
" 2·5-6 cm long					
Pedicels up to 20 mm long	1, 2, 3	4, 6,	7, 8,	9, 10,	11, 12,13
20 20 mm long		1112	arm.	AT - 115	3.5

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Calyx-tube subglobose, smooth .			. 1	, 2, 3	4, 5, 8, 12, 13
" " slightly 5-angular .					6, 7, 9, 10, 11
" " glabrous					7, 8, 11, 12, 13
" " hispid- or glandular-pubesce					2, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10
" lobes 0·2–I·0 mm long .					8, 9, 10, 12, 13
,, ,, I '5-2'0 mm long .					. 3, 6, 11
Corolla urceolate					3, 9, 12, 13
" urceolate-campanulate .					7, 10
" (sub)cylindrical					1, 4, 8, 11
" cylindric-campanulate .					2, 5
" cylindric-urceolate					6
,, 4-lobed					. I, 2, 8
" 5-lobed		3, 4,	5, 6,	7. 8. 9	, 10, 11, 12, 13
,, (sub)glabrous					10, 11, 12, 13
,, densely pubescent					6
,, glandular-pubescent					3
,, 2:5-9 mm long		I. 2.	3, 6,	7. 8. 9	, 10, 11, 12, 13
" IO-II mm long					4
" 20–22 mm long					5
Stamens 4 or 5					I, 2
., 6-8					8
" 10		3.	4. 5. 6	5. 7. 9	, 10, 11, 12, 13
Filaments glabrous					7, 11
		I. 2			8, 9, 10, 12, 13
					8, 9, 10, 12, 13
" alternately of slightly unequal					II
" I–4 mm long					10, 11, 12, 13
" 5–6 mm long		,			I, 4
,, 13 mm long					5
Anthers incl. tubules 1.5-2 mm long					1, 7, 9, 13
" " " 2–4 mm long					2, 3, 4, 8, 10
,, ,, 4–5 mm long					. 3, 11, 12
,, ,, 7 mm long .					5
Disc annular, low or flat		3.	4. 5. 6	7. 8.	10, 11, 12, 13
conical elevated					I. 2. 0

1. Diogenesia tetranda (A. C. Smith) Sleum., comb. nov.

Syn.: Eleutherostemon tetrandrum A. C. Smith in Contr. U.S. Nat. Herb. 29:354 (1950); Am. Jour. Bot. 40:471 (1953); Steyermark in

Fieldiana Bot. 4:1057 (1957).

COLOMBIA. Norte de Santander: Quebrada de Sararito, Sarare region, 1950 m, Cuatrecassa et al. 12574 (holo. F—phot. F.52530; iso. COL, GH); bidd. between Alto del Loro and Alto de Santa Ines, Cuatrecassa et al. 12553 (COL, F, GH); Páramo de Fontibón, 2600–2700 m, Cuatrecassa et al. 12324 (A, COL, F, GH, US); Páramo de Tamád, Samaria, 2600–2900 m, Cuatrecassa et al. 12749 (COL, F). Huila: headwaters of Rio Fortelacillas, below Paso de Las Cruces, E of Neiva, 2200 m, Fosberg 19793 (NY, US). VENEZUELA. Táchira: entre Michalena y Boca del Monte, Oeste de Zumbador, 2000–2400 m, Steyermark 96815 (L, NY, US, VEN); Carretera Rubio—Las Delicias, en montaña arriba de Aldea de Torriial. stito 10 km arriba de

Diamante, Bunting 2334 (MER, VEN). Mérida: Quebrada de los Helechales ("Salichales"), SW of Canagua, 1950–2133 m, Steyermark 56420 (A, F, US, VEN); Sucre, Páramo Las Coloradas, 2900 m Ricardi & Carroz 67 (MER).

2. Diogenesia floribunda (A. C. Smith) Sleum., comb. nov.

Syn.: Eleutherostemon floribundum A. C. Smith in Mem. N.Y. Bot. Gard. 8:47 (1952).

COLOMBIA. Huila: La Plata, 2600 m, von Sneidern 2510 (L, S); headwaters of Quebrada da Damas, 12 km ESE of Garzón, 2200-2700 m, fr. Fosberg 19908 (NY, US); 23 km from Altamira towards Florencia, 2270 m, Luteyn & Dumont 4878 (F, GH, K, L, NY, S, US). Caquetá: 30 km SE of Guadaloupe on road to Florencia, 2300 m, Gentry et al. 9047 (COL, MO). Puttumayo: road from Pasto to Sibundoy, km 44/45, 2700 m, Luteyn & Dumont 5026 (GH, L, NY, US).

ECUADÓR. Napo: km 15-18, carretera Pun-Aguarico, 2800-2900 m, Acosta Solis 13314 (F). Napo/Pastaza: Mera, wooded shore of Rio Chico, 1100 m, Asplund 19555 (G, L, NY, S, with constantly 5 stamens); Mera, Lugo 171 (L, S, with constantly 4 stamens, otherwise conspecific with Asplund 19555) Azuay: Oriente border, Páramo del Castillo, between Sevilla de Oro and Mendez, 2745-3350 m, Camp E-706 (holo. US; iso. NY). Santiago/Zamora: valley of the Rios Negro and Chupianza, between Hda. Chontal and Sta. Elena, 1035-1400 m, Camp E-792 (GH, NY, US); ibid., between Tambo

Diogenesia amplectens (Sleum.) Sleum. in Bot. Jahrb. 71:396 (1941).
 Syn.: Thibudia amplectens Sleum. in Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Berlin 12:58 (1934).
 Eleutherostemon amplectens (Sleum.) A. C. Smith in Contr. U.S. Nat.

Chontal and Tambo Consuelo, 1740-2440 m, Camp E-1572 (F, K, NY, US).

Herb. 29:352 (1950). ECUADOR. Pichincha: Guarumal, road from Quito to San Domingo de los Colorados, Asplund 10112 (L, S), 18227 (S).

BOLIVIA. W of San Miguel, 2000 m, Schimpff 248 (holo. B, lost; fragm. US; iso. M).

4. Diogenesia oligantha (A. C. Smith) Sleum., comb. nov.

Syn.: Eleutherostemon oliganthum A. C. Smith in Mem. N.Y. Bot. Gard. 8:48 (1952).

ECUADOR. Santiago/Zamora: Cordillera Cucutú, along Río Itzintza, 1065-1125 m, Camp E-1205 (NY, fragm. US); ibid., Camp E-1230 (holo. NY phot. US 3427, fragm. US); Central Cucutú, 1340-1430 m, Camp E-1158 (NY, fragm. US).

Very close or possibly conspecific is—Ecuador, Napo/Pastaza, valley of Río Pastaza, El Popo, c. 1350 m, sterile, Camp E-1687 (NY).

5. Diogenesia gracilipes (A. C. Smith) Sleum., comb. nov.

Syn.: Eleutherostemon gracilipes A. C. Smith in Mem. N.Y. Bot. Gard. 8:49 (1952).

ECUADOR. Santiago/Zamora: valley of Río Negro, junction with Río Pailas, 1830-2285 m, Camp (leg. Prieto) E-4924 (holo. US; iso. NY).

6. Diogenesia laxa (A. C. Smith) Sleum. in Bot. Jahrb. 71:396 (1941).

Syn.: Thibaudia laxa A. C. Smith in Contr. U.S. Nat. Herb. 28:424 (1932).
Vaccinium laxum (A. C. Smith) A. C. Smith & Camp in Brittonia 2:264 (1946).

Eleutherostemon laxum (A. C. Smith) A. C. Smith in Contr. U.S. Nat.

Herb. 29:352 (1950).

PERU. Ayacucho: Choimacota Valley, Putis, 3200 m, Weberbauer 7532 (holo. F—photo. F. 52547; iso. BM, K). "Cuitoc" (=Puytoc?), anno 1867, Pearce (K).

7. Diogenesia racemosa (Herzog) Sleum., comb. nov.

Syn.: Eleutherostemon racemosum Herzog in Med. Rijksherb. Leiden 27:22 (1915); Pflanzenw. Boliv. Anden, Veg. d. Erde 15:192 (1923); A. C. Smith in Contr. U.S. Nat. Herb. 29:352 (1950).

Vaccinium thibaudioides Sleum. in Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Berlin 12:140

(1934).

Diogenesia thibaudioides (Sleum.) Sleum. in Bot Jahrb. 71:396 (1941).

BOLIVIA. Cochabamba: Rio Paracti, Locotal, 1600 m, Herzog 2246 (holo. of E. racemosum, L. iso. W); Incacorral, 2350 m, Steinbach 9628 (holo. of Vaccinium thibaudioides, B, lost; iso. A, E, F, K, US).

Diogenesia octandra Sleum. in Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Berlin 12:121 (1934); Bot. Jahrb. 71:396 (1941).

Syn.: Thibaudia acuminata [Don ex] Grisebach in sched., cf. Hook. f. in Benth. & Hook. f., Gen. Pl. 2:575 (1876), nom. mud., non Hooker 1837; Grisebach ex Niedenzu in Bot. Jahrb. 11:210, 248 (1889), nom. mud.; Hoerold in Bot. Jahrb. 42:272 (1909), nom. mud.

Naccinium octandrum (Sleum.) Sleum. in Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Berlin

13:136 (1936). Thibaudia octandra (Sleum.) Macbride in Univ. Wyoming Publ. 11:40 (1940).

(1940). Eleutherostemon octandrum (Sleum.) A. C. Smith in Contr. U.S. Nat. Herb. 20:352 (1950).

COLOMBIA: Cauca: El Tambo, La Costa, 2000 m, von Sneidern 1003 (NY, S); Munchique, 3000 m, von Sneidern 2481 (L, S: pedicel 6–8 mm long, otherwise consnecific).

ECUADOR. Tungurahua: Baños, Hacienda San Antonio, Sydow 549 & 587 (S). PERU. Puno: Carabaya, Tatanara, Lechler Pl. peruan. ed. Hohenack. 2614 (holo. B, lost—phot. F 28923, fragm. F, NY, US; iso. G, K, L, P, W).

9. Diogenesia andina (A. C. Smith) Sleum., comb. nov.

Syn.: Eleutherostemon andinum A. C. Smith in Contr. U.S. Nat. Herb. 29:353 (1950).

COLOMBIA. Valle: Almorzadero, W slope of Los Farallones, 2950 m, Cuatrecasas 21706 (holo. A, fragm. US; iso. F). Cauca: La Depression, foot of Cerro Pinche, 2000 m, Core 1329 (US).

10. Diogenesia boliviana (Britton) Sleum. in Bot. Jahrb. 71:396 (1941).

Syn.: Rushva boliviana Britton in Mem. Torrev Bot. Cl. 4:215 (1895); A. C. Smith in Contr. U.S. Nat. Herb. 28:446 (1932).

Eleutherostemon bolivianum (Britton) Herzog in Med. Rijksherb. Leiden 27:23 (1915), in textu; A. C. Smith in Contr. U.S. Nat. Herb. 29:352 (1950).

Vaccinium bolivianum (Britton) Sleumer in Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Berlin 13:137 (1936).

BOLIVIA. La Paz: Songo, Bang 852 (holo. NY; iso. BM, E, GH, K, US).

11. Diogenesia caudata (Sleum.) Sleum. in Bot. Jahrb. 71:396 (1941).

Syn.: Themistoclesia caudata Sleum. in Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Berlin 12:134 (1934).

Vaccinium incarum Sleum. in Notizbl. Bot. Gart. Berlin 13:137 (1936), nom. nov. pro Themistoclesia caudata Sleum., non Vaccinium caudatum Warb. 1905.

Eleutherostemon caudatum (Sleum.) A. C. Smith in Contr. U.S. Nat. Herb. 29:352 (1950).

PERU. Ayacucho: Huanta, camino entre Quellacocha y Puytac, Raimondi 9873 (holo. B, lost, fragm. US; iso. USM).

12. Diogenesia alstoniana Sleum., sp. nov.

Frutex, ut videtur. Ramuli graciles, angulati, patenter puberuli. Folia lanceolata, apice acute caudato-acuminata, basi rotundata, chartacea usque subcoriacea, tenuia, margine paullo revoluta, integra, glabra, e basi 5(-sub-7)-plinervia, 5-6.5 cm longa, 1.5-2 cm lata, costa media supra impressa, subtus prominente, nervis lateralibus subtus paullo prominentibus. reticulatione venarum venularumque densa subtus elevatula; petioli crassiusculi, 1.5-2 mm longi; pseudostipulae haud observatae, probabiliter nullae. Fasciculi axillares 3-4(-5)-flori; rhachis subnulla; pedicelli graciles, subglabri, 1.5-2 cm longi, in tertio inferiore bibracteolati. Calycis tubus cupulatosubglobosus, basi rotundatus, subglaber, rugulosus, 2.5 mm altus, c. 2 mm diam., limbo vix 0.5 mm alto 5-denticulato. Corolla urceolata, inferne distincte dilatata, albida, glabra, 5.5-6 mm longa, inferne 4 mm diam., per c. 2 mm 5-loba, lobis sub plena anthesi paullo reflexis. Stamina 10, aequilonga, corollam aequantia; filamenta inferne ligulata et glabra, sursum dilatata et pubescentia, 2.5 mm longa; antherae 5 mm longae, thecis laevibus 1.5 mm longis, tubulis angustis 3.5 mm longis rimis c. 1 mm longis pollen demittentibus. Discus annularis sat planus, subinteger. Stylus gracilis, glaber corollam longitudine aequans. Fructus submaturus subglobosus, apice truncatus.

COLOMBIA. Nariño: "below páramo", margin of forest (exact locality not known), 350 m, fl. 9 v 1939, A. H. G. Alston 8548 (holo. BM; iso. COL, US).

13. Diogenesia vargasiana Sleum., sp. nov.

Frutex vel arbuscula 4-5 m alta. Ramuli dense foliati et floriferi, obtusanguli et striati, cortice griseo obtecti, ad apices pubescentes. Folia lanceolata, apice caudato-acuminata, ipso apice obtusa, basi late attenuata usque subrotundata, coriacea, firma, integra, subtus laxe brevissime glandulosopilosiuscula ceterum glabra, 3-5 cm longa, 1-2 cm lata, e basi vel paullo

supra basin 3 (vel sub-5)-plinervia, costa supra impressa, subtus valde elevata, nervis lateralibus subtus prominulis, interdum vix visibilibus; petioli 2-3 mm longi, c. 1 mm crassi; pseudostipulae e bas ipulvinata aciculares, c. 2 mm longae. Racemi abbreviati vel fasciculi axillares 6-15-flori; rhachis gracilis, 2-5 mm longa; pedicelli graciles, laxissime brevissimeque glandulosopilosi medio bibracteolati, sub anthesi 8-9(-11) mm longi, cum calyce continui. Calycis tubus cupulatus, basi late attenuatus, laevis, glaber, 2 mm longus, limbo 5-denticulato c. 1 mm alto. Corolla urccolata, rosacea, glabra, 5 mm longa, usque fere ad medium 5-loba. Stamina 10, aequilonga, c. 3 mm longa, filamenta linearia, patenter pubescentia, 1 mm longa; antherae 2 mm longae, thecis laevibus 1 mm longis, tubulis dilatatis 1 mm longis, per totam longitudinem introrse fissae. Stylus gracilis, glaber, 4 mm longus. Discus crasse annularis. Fructus deest.

PERU. Cuzo: Paucartambo, Pillahuata, forest at 3000 m, fl. 12 xii 1943, C. Vargas 3025 (holo. US; iso. F); Pillahuata, Cerro de Cusilluyoc, in thickets and open forest, 2800-2900 m, defl. 3/6 vi 1925, F. W. Pennell 14008a (US).